GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5600
ANSWERED ON:24.04.2001
SELLING OF TUGHLAKABAD FORT LAND
PRABHUNATH SINGH

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the selliing of Tughlakabad Fort land;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have conducted any enquiry into the matter;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a)&(b): According to information made available by Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), the total areaof the Tughlakabad Fort is 2661 bighas, apart from the walls gateways, bastions and internal buildings of both inner and outer citadel of the fort and the village abadi. Out of this, 811 bighas of land is reported to be under encroachment.

(c)&(d): Based on information, a Preliminary Enquiry no PE-1 (a)/2001-Dlihas been registered by CBI on 1.2.2001 against the unknown government officials of Archeologiacl Survey of India. Revenue/Land Building Department, Government of NCT Delhi, Delhi Police, Delhi Development Authority, Municipal Corporation of Delhi and others on the allegations that the aforesaid officials alongwith other private persons and public servants committed serious administrative lapses i n performing their official duties and willfully violated the legal provisions and allowed some unknown private persons to illegally sell the government land of Tughlakadad Fort to some unknown private persons for unauthorised constrution/encroachment.

(e): Instruction has been issued to ASI, DDA, MCD. Delhi Police and Land & Building/Revenue Department of Govt.of NCT, Delhi to remove he encroachments/unauthorsed construction under relevant Civic laws.